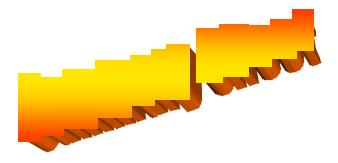
How much will I receive in 2006?

Available funding will be divided by the total population of all qualified RUs, as defined by population statistics provided to DNR by Wisconsin Department of Administration, to eligible applicants. Each eligible applicant will receive a distribution based on a flat per capita rate. For 2006, a grant under this program, when combined with the RU's basic recycling grant, may not exceed the net eligible recycling expenses incurred and reported on the 2004 Annual Report (form 4400-182). Note that this restricts applicants to those RUs that were grantees in 2004 and 2006 and submitted cost information through their 2004 Annual Report.

For a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), see the supplemental FAQ Sheet.



RECYCLING EFFICIENCY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM

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What is the Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant program?

This grant program rewards Responsible Units that have made efforts to improve the efficiency of their recycling programs.

Who can apply for 2006?

All Responsible Units that operate an "effective" recycling program and that received Basic Recycling Grant funds in 2004 and 2006.

A Responsible Unit is defined as cities, towns, villages, special purpose recycling districts, and counties designated by a municipality to operate a recycling program within a municipality.

An effective recycling program is one that meets the requirements identified in ch. NR 544, Wis. Admin. Code.

How much is available?

The availability of funds in this and future grant years is dependent upon legislative appropriations. \$1.9 million may be available for the calendar year 2005. Funds would then be distributed by June 30, 2007.

How can I apply for a grant in 2006?

Submit a complete application form to the DNR, **postmarked NO LATER than October 31, 2005.** Go to the following DNR website to obtain copies of the grant applications and instructions for both the Recycling Grants to Responsible Units and the Recycling Efficiency Incentives Grant:

http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/grants/ Recycle/recycle.html

What qualifies me for a grant in 2006?

To qualify for funds, Responsible Units must be able to claim that at least one of the efficiencies below were in place by April 30, 2005 and completed by October 30, 2005:

- 1. Was a RU formed by the merger of 2 or more prior RUs (consolidation per ch. 287.09 and ch.66, Wis. Stats.), or
- 2. Was a party to at least one cooperative agreement with at least one other RU, consistent with requirements for local government cooperative agreements in s. 66.0301, Wis. Stats. The cooperative agreements must be for activities in at least one of the following recycling categories:
 - a) Collection and transportation of recyclables
 - b) Sorting of recyclables at a MRF

- c) Comprehensive program planning
- d) Educational efforts about recycling

Responsible Units must have entered into written cooperative agreements for either joint vendor services or shared recycling services. Examples are as follows:

<u>Joint Vendor Services</u> – Two or more RUs jointly solicit proposals from and hire one vendor to provide recycling collection, transportation, sorting, planning, or educational services.

Shared Recycling Services – One RU collects recyclables from both its residents and the residents of a neighboring RU. Collected recyclables are taken to the other RUs Materials Recovery Facility where they are sorted and ultimately marketed.